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SUBJECT: DETENTION OF VESSEL JULIANA I AND CREW

REF: (A) STATE 221590 (DTG 152010Z SEP 77), (B) TEGUCIGALPA 4352
DTG 160322Z SEP 77), (C) TEGUCIGALPA 4443 (DTG 212213Z SEP 77)

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FOREIGN MININSTRY NOTE NO. 1973 CONTAINING HONDURAS' RESPONSE TO DEPARTMENT'S REQUEST CONTAINED REFTEL A FOR A STATEMENT REGARDING EXTRADITION, WARRANTS FOR ARREST AND CRIMES FOR WHICH EXTRADITION SOUGHT IN THIS CASE.

2. EMBASSY INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF NOTE FOLLOWS:

QUOTE

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HONDURAS PRESENTS ITS RESPECTS TO THE EMBASSY OF THE U.S. A., ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF NOTE NO. 176 DATED THE 19TH

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OF THE CURRENT MONTH, WHICH REFERS TO NOTE NO. 1929 REGARDING THE CAPTURE OF THE HONDURAN FLAGSHIP JULIANA I, WHICH TRANSPORTED A CARGO OF MARIHUANA, ACCORDING TO INFORMATION WHICH ENJOYS THE HIGHEST CREDIBILITY.

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS REQUESTS THE EMBASSY OF THE U.S.A. TO TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO WHOEVER IT CONCERNS, GIVING ADDITIONAL DATA REQUESTED IN

YOUR NOTE NO. 1929 AND COMPLYING WITH THE USUAL FORMALITIES
IN SUCH CASES THAT BREAK THE PENAL LAWS OF HONDURAS, AND
IN ORDER THAT THE RESPECTIVE U.S. AUTHORITIES MAY PROCEED
TO TAKE THE NECESSARY LEGAL STEPS.

GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF HONDURAS, THROUGH
THIS MINISTRY AND IN CONFORMITY WITH THE LAWS OF THE COUNTRY,
FORMULATES THE FOLLOWING DECLARATION, CONTAINING A REQUEST
TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE U.S.A., TO PREVENTIVELY ARREST
AND DETAIN THE MEMBERS OF THE CREW OF THE VESSEL JULIANA I,
THUS REMAINING UNDER ITS CUSTODY UNTIL IT IS CLAIMED BY
HONDURAS. IN ACCORDANCE WITH HONDURAN PENAL PROCEEDINGS,
SUMMARIAL STEPS HAVE ALREADY BEEN INITIATED AGAINST THE
FOLLOWING PERSONS FOR CONTRABAND AND ANY OTHER RELATED CRIME:
(SAME AS REFTEL A). WHEN JUDGEMENT HAS BEEN HANDED DOWN
BY A JUDICIAL TRIBUNAL HANDLING THE CASE, THE GOH, BASED
ON THE CONVENTION OF EXTRADITION OF 1909, WILL TAKE THE
NECESSARY STEPS BEFORE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE U.S. A.
TO EXTRADITE THE PERSONS IMPLICATED IN THE CRIME.

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF
HONDURAS TAKES THE OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE EMBASSY OF
THE U.S.A., THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST AND DISTINGUISHED
CONSIDERATION. DATED 20 SEPT.,1977.

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